

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Naoto Shimada

Application No.: Not Yet Known

Filed: Not Yet Known

For: DRIVING APPARATUS, LIGHTING
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND
DISPLAY APPARATUS USING THE
LIGHTING APPARATUS

Group: Not Yet Known

Examiner: Not Yet Known

Our File: SAS2-PT074

Date: April 1, 2004

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Further to Applicant's Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the cited documents are enclosed.

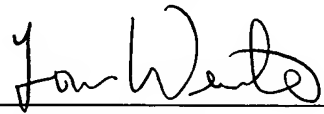
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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating his consideration of the cited materials.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS														
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	AA	61	2	9	4	3	7	B1		11/2001	Koga et al.			
	AB	64	6	6	1	8	8	B1		10/2002	Cato			

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)													

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